SENATE BILL No. 134

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-18-2-69; IC 16-34-2-1.3.

Synopsis: Abortion requirements. Requires a health care provider to provide a pregnant woman with information regarding the availability of ultrasound imaging and auscultation of heart tones of a fetus before performing an abortion on the pregnant woman.

Effective: July 1, 2004.

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January 6, 2004, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.



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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2003 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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SECTION 2. IC 16-34-2-1.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
1, 2004]: Sec. 1.3. (a) In addition to the information that must be
provided under section 1.1 of this chapter and in order for consen
to be voluntary and informed except in a case of a medica
emergency, at least eighteen (18) hours before an abortion the
pregnant woman must be orally informed of the following by any
of the health care providers described in section 1.1(1) of this
chapter:

- (1) The availability of fetal ultrasound imaging and auscultation of fetal heart tone services to enable the pregnant woman to view the image and hear the heartbeat of the fetus.
- (2) How to obtain access the services described in subdivision(1).
- (b) Before the abortion is performed, the pregnant woman:
 - (1) may view the fetal ultrasound imaging and hear the auscultation of the fetal heart tone; and



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1 (2) must certify in writing that the pregnant woman has been provided with the information required by subsection (a).

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